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SUBJECT: 63RD ECOSOC: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON UN WATER
CONFERENCE (ITEM 16)

REF: GENEVA 5994

FOLLOWING ARE COMMENTS ON DRAFT RESOLUTION, WHICH, IN MANY
RESPECTS, IS LESS THAN IDEAL. USDEL SHOULD SEEK CHANGES IN
TEXT IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMENTS BELOW AND REQUEST
ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS ON ANY AMENDED VERSION.

1. RE APPROVAL OF "ALL" RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS
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(PARA 1 DRAFT RESOLUTION), BEST APPROACH WOULD APPEAR TO
BE TO GO ALONG WITH CONSENSUS BUT THEN NOTE FOR THE RECORD
OUR OPPOSITION TO ONE OF THE RESOLUTIONS. WHAT DO OTHERS
WHO OPPOSED (AND THEREFORE ARE IN SIMILAR POSITION) INTEND
TO DO?

2. RE CALL FOR GA TO "ENSURE ADEQUATE BUDGETARY PROVISION"

TO IMPLEMENT MAR DEL PLATA ACTION PLAN (PARA 3), COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING THE PLAN ARE UNKNOWN, BUT CERTAINLY ENORMOUS. IN ANY CASE, THIS WHOLE SUBJECT SHOULD AWAIT SECRETARY GENERAL'S STUDY OF FINANCIAL ASPECTS, AS CALLED FOR AT MAR DEL PLATA, AND SPECIAL SESSION OF CNR.

3. RE IN-DEPTH STUDY ON COMMUNITY WATER SUPPLY (PARA 6-11), USDEL SHOULD SEEK TO REPLACE PHRASE "... AND OUTLINE THE STEPS NECESSARY FOR CONVENING THE PROPOSED MEETING OF 1980 (WHICH IS CONFUSING AT BEST) BY PHRASE "...AND DETERMINING THE APPROPRIATE MECHANISM TO REVIEW NATIONAL DRINKING WATER TARGETS AND PROGRAMS IN 1980" (WHICH TRACKS BETTER WITH WATER CONFERENCE RESOLUTION). US POSITION, SHARED BY OTHER DONORS, AT WATER CONFERENCE WAS TO HEAD OFF REQUEST FOR "PLEDGING" CONFERENCE, AND THEREFORE TERM "MECHANISM" WAS ACCEPTED, WHICH COULD INVOLVE ROLE FOR WHO.

4. RE OPEN-ENDED REQUEST TO SECRETARY GENERAL TO "MAINTAIN THE EXISTENCE" OF THE PRESENT WATER CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT (PARA 7-I), WE CANNOT GO ALONG. THE SECRETARIAT FOR THE CNR IS THE CENTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY AND TRANSPORT (CNRET), WHICH SHOULD BE ADEQUATE AND IS PROBABLY MUCH BETTER EQUIPPED TO UN RTAKE THE STUDIES MENTIONED. ALTERNATIVELY, THE SECRETARY GENERAL MIGHT ASSIGN RESPONSIBILITY FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STUDIES TO CNRET AND OTHER PERMANENT BODIES. BUT MAINTAINING THE CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT FOR THIS PURPOSE IS NOT, IN OUR VIEW, ACCEPTABLE. VANCE

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